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MAYOR

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Bud Selig
Commissioner of Baseball
777 East Wisconsin Avenue, Suite 3060
Milwaukee, WI 53202

Dear Commissioner Selig:

I am writing to assure you that gaining Major League Baseball's (MLB) approval to relocate the A's to San Jose continues to be one of my top priorities this year.

Our plan is to set this matter for voter approval on the November 2010 ballot. I am confident that the ballot measure will be a resounding confirmation of voter support for the team and the construction of a new stadium.

Since 2005, San Jose and its partners have invested our time and resources to facilitate a work plan that will allow for a 2014 season opener in San Jose. In 2007 we completed an Environmental Impact Report that will be updated in June 2010. We have budgeted \$11 million for a new gateway street which has received environmental clearance and necessary approvals to start first phase construction. We have also budgeted \$35 million for additional land acquisition and site preparation. We have worked diligently over the past four years to assemble properties adjacent to our preferred site, investing \$26 million in the acquisition of nine of the twelve parcels needed for the construction of a stadium. The City Council also established a Good Neighbor Committee of stakeholders to develop a framework for mitigating impacts associated with the development of this proposed site and to engage our community in positive discussions.

Pro Baseball to San Jose and other partners including the Silicon Valley Leadership Group and the San Jose/Silicon Valley Chamber of Commerce have indicated there is strong support in San Jose and the region for the relocation of the A's to San Jose and the construction of a new stadium. I hope that you will make a decision soon regarding the team's future, which will allow MLB and the A's to open the season on the site in 2014.

We need to make a decision in June if we are to place this matter on the ballot in November. I look forward to your response.

Best wishes.

Chuck Reed
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